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To whom it may concern,

As one who has endured the business practices of Microsoft for many years, I want to voice my displeasure with the so-called penalty imposed on Microsoft.

This company was targeted for investigation for its ruthless monopolistic methods. They relegated vast numbers of competitors to the bankruptcy ashbin, while intimidating all those who did not comply with their wishes into submission.

Here we are. After all the efforts to impose justice on Microsoft, they are now rewarded with a guaranteed market share that competitors for those markets will not have access to - thanks to the Justice Department. In essence, DOJ has agreed that Windows is only one operating system, and others need not be considered. So what was the point?

Punitive damages should have taken the form of 5 billion dollars cash, distributed equally indexed on surviving companies inability to do business in the WinTel world, as seed money for development of more software to directly compete with Microsoft, and even to develop for other platforms, such as Macintosh, Linux, etc.

Thumbs down. As a law abiding American - I have been let down by DOJ

Regards

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